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Docket No. 6137.P US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Ford et al.) Group Art Unit: 1636

Serial No.: 09/600,392) Examiner: G. Leffers

Confirmation No.: 4850)

Filed: September 8, 2000)

For: AN AUTOREGULATORY SYSTEM FOR VALIDATING MICROBIAL GENES AS
POSSIBLE ANTIMICROBIAL TARGETS USING A TETRACYCLINE-
CONTROLLABLE ELEMENT

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawings

A corrected drawing sheet is being submitted herewith to correct typographical errors. Specifically, in Fig. 5, the sequence number is corrected to show SEQ. I.D. 37, as indicated on the marked up copy in red. A clean copy of Fig. 5 as amended is also provided.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-20 and 77 and add new claims 78-81. The new and amended claims are provided below in clean form. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amended claims are also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made (for convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A).

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We are transmitting the following documents along with this Transmittal Sheet (which is submitted in triplicate):

- ☒ An itemized return postcard.
☐ A Petition for Extension of Time for __ month(s) and a check in the amount of \$__ for the required fee.
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (__ pgs); copies of __ applications; 1449 forms (__ pgs); and copies of __ documents cited on the 1449 forms.
☐ A check in the amount of \$__, for __.
☐ A certified copy of a __ application, Serial No. __, filed ____, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☒ Other: Amendment and Response (16 pgs total, including Appendix A (5 pgs)); copy of Fig. 5 marked in red showing correction; and clean copy of Fig. 5 as corrected.
☒ Amendment ☒ No Additional fee is required. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown:

Fee Calculation for Claims Pending After Amendment					
	Pending Claims after Amendment (1)	Claims Paid for Earlier (2)	Number of Additional Claims (1-2)	Cost per Additional Claim	Additional Fees Required
Total Claims	25	77	0	x \$18 =	\$0
Independent Claims	2	6	0	x \$84 =	\$0
One or More New Multiple Dependent Claims Presented? If Yes, Add \$280 Here →					\$0
Total Additional Claim Fees Required					\$0

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4895. Triplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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By:

Name: Sue Ambroske

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